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                 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
                 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
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                           ATLANTA DIVISION
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    UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
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                  Plaintiff,
                                  ) CRIMINAL ACTION FILE
                                      NO. 1:16-CR-00237
               v.
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    JAMES G. MALONEY,
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                  Defendant.
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                 BEFORE THE HONORABLE JUSTIN S. ANAND
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                 TRANSCRIPT OF AUDIOTAPED PROCEEDINGS
                          SEPTEMBER 14, 2016
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1 2 PROCEEDINGS 3 (Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia, SEPTEMBER 14, 2016, in open 4 court.) 5 THE COURT: -- the United States of America versus 6 James Maloney 1:16-CR-237. Representing the United States are 7 Assistant U.S. Attorneys Russell Phillips and Steve McClain. Representing the defendant are Craig Gillen and Anthony Lake. 9 So we're here for a pretrial conference. And I've received the motions that the defense has filed. And before we get to 10 11 them, though, let me ask the government has all Rule 16 12 discovery been produced at this point? 13 MR. PHILLIPS: Your Honor, it has. In fact, we've 14 turned over more than we were required to. We've turned over 15 all of the 302s at the time of the initial discovery production. 16 17 Defense counsel notified us last week though that 18 there was a problem with one of the disks that we produced, 19 that some of the information was not readable. So we're in 20 the process of getting that fixed. They've also provided us 21 with a portable hard drive to copy some computer hard drives 22 that we obtained from Georgia Tech and the FBI is taking care 23 of that right now. We'll get those things to them as soon as possible. 24

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done here or any statements obtained from the defendant?
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             MR. PHILLIPS: No, no.
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             THE COURT: Okay. All right.
             MR. GILLEN: Your Honor, may I just address briefly
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    the Rule 16?
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             THE COURT: You may.
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             MR. GILLEN: What happened is, is that at
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    arraignment, we were given disks. And then as the Court may
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    remember, I had a bad back, a sciatic nerve issue, and was out
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    of the game for a while. When we began looking at the
    discovery, we -- and I have, you know, looked at virtually --
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    that we have -- that we have looked at. We -- certain things
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    were obviously missing, and, for example, a recording that we
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    government was kind enough to allow us to listen to, and that
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    email either last week or ten days ago, whenever it was,
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   Mr. Lake sent an email saying, you know, we don't seem to have
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    this. And then Mr. Phillips was kind enough to respond back
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    and said, well, you should check out serial number so-and-so
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we -- you know, either we don't have it -- certainly I can state this. I have done my very best and spent days and days looking at the material that they have provided that we can read. We don't have a lot of the Rule 16, which is why we were asking for additional time to file motions because -we're not saying it's anybody's fault. We're just saying the reality is that we don't have it in a way that we can read it and review it, so we would ask for additional time. THE COURT: Okay. MR. GILLEN: Subject to getting it and being able to review it. It's just something that happens in the course of electronic discovery in our day and age, so we would ask the Court's indulgence in that respect. THE COURT: And I don't have a problem with the additional time. I know how things work in that regard. I was trying to make sure that that process was underway and -but for, it sounds like, technical difficulties or working through technical issues, it sounds like -- at least the government's view is the discovery has been produced or has been made available? MR. PHILLIPS: Absolutely. THE COURT: Okay. MR. PHILLIPS: And we're not trying to keep them from having it. We're -- if they say they didn't get it in the

first production, we're doing everything we can to assist them

in getting it as soon as possible. 2 THE COURT: Okay. So we'll get to the motions for 3 new -- or to file new motions and we'll set a schedule in a minute. But let me go through some of the other things that 4 5 we have here. I have the notice that is to be filed under 6 seal, which I take it there's no opposition to filing it under seal? 7 8 MR. PHILLIPS: Actually, there is, Your Honor. 9 THE COURT: Oh, there is. Okay. MR. PHILLIPS: We did not consent to that. 10 asked us ahead of time if we would. We did not consent to 11 12 that because we checked with the national security coordinator 13 in our office and we were instructed not to do that. 14 First of all, you know, with respect to defense 15 counsel and the Court, we believe this is a red herring. This is a classic case of graymail where the defendant is 16 17 threatening the United States with revealing classified 18 information that he obtained in the course of his job if we 19 don't stop the prosecution. We believe that's what it's 20 about. And so by consenting to filing it under seal, we 21 believe that -- that makes it appear that the government 22 thinks that there's something that needs to be hidden. 23 The information that the defendant claims that he intends to rely on in his defense, we believe, is completely 24 25

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security clearance, which he was required to have to perform his job at GTRI, doesn't mean that the information that he obtained through the holding of that top-secret security clearance is automatically relevant to this criminal case. The indictment that we filed in this case is very specific and it talks about the defendant obtaining money illegally by engaging in two different types of fraud: One is using a Georgia Tech credit card, called a P-Card, to charge personal expenses. And the other is by engaging in private consulting contracts while he was working for Georgia Tech. And part of that has to do with depriving Georgia Tech of the income that it should have had from that consulting. And then, to add insult to injury, he billed his private consulting work to the government on this classified contract. And so the fact that he did those things is not classified. And as I understand it from the defendant's motion, what he seeks to do is to, you know, basically hold the government hostage and say if you don't stop prosecuting me, I'm going to tell the world what this classified contract was about. And that's not appropriate. THE COURT: All right. So, well, there's a couple of matters, as a perhaps ministerial matter, I have the motion to 23 file under seal. The government is not -- it sounds like --MR. PHILLIPS: We do oppose that.

THE COURT: -- is not taking the position that

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    anything that is within the four corners of the notice of
    intent reveals anything that requires sealing, and that --
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    that, of course, doesn't -- doesn't get to the next level of
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    the government's perspective, to seal this. This can be filed
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             MR. PHILLIPS: Not from our perspective, with one
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    possible exception, and that is that the defendant has
    identified by name the sponsor of the classified contract.
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    And I've reviewed the contract. The contract does not say on
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    its face who the sponsor is, it just says the United States,
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   but in the notice of intent, the defendant has identified that
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    government agency by name.
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             THE COURT: Okay. And that would be something
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             MR. PHILLIPS: I'm not -- I'm not sure about that,
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             MR. PHILLIPS: I've asked the agents to find out
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    about that, whether they believe that in itself is classified.
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    I'm just flagging that issue for the Court.
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             MR. PHILLIPS: I don't know the answer. But we are
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Division. Obviously, this is an unusual matter for us. And we're going to be getting some guidance from some experts about that. But as we understand it, the issue now is a procedural one. What do we do from this point. How do we bring this matter to a head and get it resolved. And it's my understanding, Your Honor, that the Classified Information Procedures Act, CIPA, says that the prosecutor remains responsible for taking reasonable precautions against the unauthorized disclosure of classified information during the case. And that responsibility applies whether it's the government seeking to use that information in its case in chief or whether the defendant has notified the government that he plans to rely on that in his defense. So we -- we understand that it's our burden to go forward. And the Moussaoui case says -- that's a case from the Fourth Circuit in 2003 -- that once the defendant has indicated that he plans to disclose classified information, the government may then request a hearing at which the district court must determine whether the classified information in question is relevant and admissible. So I think that's the next step. The Court is going to have to find out what it is the defendant plans to disclose --THE COURT: Right. MR. PHILLIPS: -- and make a determination as to whether he should be allowed to proceed or whether the

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    information, as the government contends, is irrelevant.
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             MR. PHILLIPS: And we're doing that immediately.
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    to it. And the -- if there's something in there that warrants
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    would think we would handle it, like we would with anything
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   been part of the work we were doing and here's why and that
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   might get into classified information. Does that -- does that
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    sort of summarize what your position is?
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             MR. GILLEN:
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    sort of respond in part to what Mr. Phillips said, and then
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    explain further what (indiscernible) to the Court.
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    working for intelligence agencies. In their indictment they
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    specifically mention by letter and number this contract. And
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    they specifically say that fraud was committed under that
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    Office about the sensitive nature of this contract and
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    Dr. Maloney's work on behalf of the United States and one of
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its agencies. Two years ago. Now, this is no surprise to them. Now, what they are saying here and what they fail to understand is the very purpose and nature of the work done, and even in the contract that they provided in discovery, as we mention in our notice, there is reference to how the material is to be handled, some of the material is to be handled at top secret. Now, this is isn't graymail. This is -- they chose to take this project, that number, and claim fraud. Dr. Maloney has every right to explain exactly why that allegation is absolutely meritless. So it's not graymail. And I don't -- I don't know if anybody in this courtroom has been involved in CIPA before, but I've had multiple days of CIPA hearings. In Iran-Contra, that's all we did prior to the CIA trials is hold CIPA hearings. So I understand the purpose of CIPA and I understand the purpose of the statute. And the purpose of the statute, we're not trying to graymail the United States. They started this fight. What we're trying to do, using the process and using the statute is to, in an organized way -- and it's going to take time. If security clearances have to be obtained, then security clearances have to be obtained for court personnel, for all attorneys involved, whatever. But we -- the process allows then for the Court to look through the material, to look through exactly what our position would be. And frankly, when we get to the

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end of the CIPA hearings, we're going to be asking the Court to produce, from the United States agencies, information that would support what we assert. Because we believe that they have information that would be directly relevant and supportive of our position. So it's not graymail. It is —it is an explanation to a defense of their precise charges in this indictment.

Now, so having said that, the reason why -- and frankly, you know, we took an abundance of caution in seeking to have it filed under seal. To us, if they want to have it public, that's their business, and that's fine with us. did that and we wanted to structure that notice in a way that triggered the elements under Collins, alerted the Court to what was about -- you know, to our defense, which is what we do under the CIPA Act, or under CIPA, and then begin the process of working through this. It's a cumbersome, time-consuming process. But this statute was specifically made in order to handle situations like this, in order to take criminal cases and deal with people who had, either from the intelligence community or who would access the information that was classified, and then make determinations about relevance, and in the end, if the Court believes that narratives, defense narratives are necessary -- you know, in Iran-Contra, we had virtually ever representative of nearly every intelligence agency in the courtroom making on-the-spot

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    determinations about declassification. We're not going to
   need that here. But we will need, in our review, a CIPA
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   hearing, thus the notice that triggered alerting the Court
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             MR. PHILLIPS: Mr. Gillen makes it sound like he's
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    already in possession of this classified information. He's
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    representing to the Court that this is a valid defense.
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   possession of the facts. And if Mr. Maloney, the defendant,
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    that's a problem. And it's not a problem that can be swept
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    under the rug by filing the notice of intent under seal. So I
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    don't know whether that information has already been provided
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    to Mr. Gillen or he's just assuming that his client has a
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    valid defense because his client says he has a valid defense,
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             THE COURT: Well --
             MR. PHILLIPS: And the second thing, just briefly --
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MR. PHILLIPS: -- back to the issue of whether it should be sealed, I notice on Page 4 of the notice in the footnote that the defendant says that the association of the sponsor with the contractor is classified unclassified, so --THE COURT: Okay. MR. PHILLIPS: I assume that means that the identity of the sponsor is itself unclassified. THE COURT: Okay. MR. PHILLIPS: If that's the case, then our position is that the motion or the notice of intent should be filed as is and not under seal. THE COURT: Well, there's two -- again, the issue here is, first, a motion to file under seal, I'm going to rule The way I interpreted the notice was that it did not itself reveal the content of classified information but just flagged the fact that that's going to be a subject of inquiry in this case for the defense's position, and therefore, sort of triggering the procedures to start getting into place to get into that further. I mean, my reaction to what I'm hearing here is that, like a lot of discovery disputes -- and I don't know, Mr. Phillips, if this is what you're proposing, I don't know, I can't, based on what I have here in front of me, really say one way or the other that the information is or would not be

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admissible. I mean, that's something -- because I don't know what we're talking about here, I don't know -- are we talking about specific expenditures that have a specific justification that need to get into the details of the agreement? That's what I've interpreted is the issue. MR. GILLEN: What the notice allows the Court to see, and we think, frankly, that the notice itself, you know -- if they want to have an agency redaction, that's fine with us. We did that in an abundance of caution. THE COURT: Um-hmm. MR. GILLEN: But we -- frankly, in looking at it, I don't think there is anything classified in there, frankly. But in reference to Mr. Phillips' remark, if the government would read their discovery and would read the contract that is the basis for this project that they name specifically in their indictment, then they would understand what we meant in the footnote. Because the nature of the contract itself in terms of sort of the generic relationship, that is something that the contract deems to be, my recollection from reading them, is not classified. However, then we get into the point where in terms of -- in terms of what it's done, in terms of how certain things are handled, then I think we have two classifications, one top secret and the other secret. The bottom line is, it

would be astounding to me if the government took the position

that the -- that a discovery about the details of the interaction between Dr. Maloney and the United States agency 2 3 would not be classified, it would be astounding. What we need to do is we've triggered the statute, 4 5 we've put sufficient information to the Court to allow the 6 Court to understand the nature of our intent to proceed along these lines and then let's follow the statute, let's follow 7 the regs on this and let's -- let's have our hearing and then 9 let the Court decide. 10 THE COURT: I mean, I think my reaction to this is I'm going to need it to be teed up, and if it's a -- if it's a 11 12 motion/hearing that's protected under CIPA, then so be it, but 13 I'm going to need it to be teed up as a motion to compel of 14 sorts, to say this is the specific information or category of 15 information that I'm looking for and here's why. Do you 16 understand what I'm saying? To say this is what they have that I need and/or this 17 18 is the specific information that I'm looking to reveal and 19 here's why, because I can't -- I mean, this is obviously --20 this is not concrete enough for me to make a determination, 21 that's the level of detail, and it sounds like that's maybe 22 something that has to be under the auspices of CIPA. 2.3 MR. GILLEN: Yes, that's correct. THE COURT: But I'm going to need it to be more 24

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MR. GILLEN: Which is the purpose for the hearing. This notice is like, hey, Court, government, this is what we intend, we need to address this and let's get under the rubric of CIPA. That's all we're saying. And we need to do that. Now -- and once everything is covered, once everything is protected, then -- then Dr. Maloney will have the opportunity to be -- to be a lot more specific and will be a lot -- will be able to be a lot more specific about what we're asking for from the government. There are two phases here, what Dr. Maloney can and cannot say himself, and what Dr. Maloney would seek from the United States agency to produce information which would be relevant to and supportive of his position. And so it seems to me, Your Honor, and I understand that we have to have the details, we're going to do whatever the Court directs us to do, but we need to do it under the umbrella of CIPA and we will do whatever the Court directs us to do. THE COURT: I mean, my guess is there's going to be categories of expenditures, I mean, just looking at the indictment, that it would be surprising to me if there is truly confidential -- I mean classified information that is

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strike me as not likely to have -- and there may be other defenses, but not a -- although you may surprise me and it may be that a tennis ball machine has a classified justification, but there may be other things, just looking at this, that, you know, it could be that what you're saying has -- that there was a contractual justification for that required getting into the details of what was being done, computers and Otter Box cases, digital cameras, pin hole cameras, that's the sort of thing -- maybe that's what you're saying, that that would be justified by virtue of what the contract was all about. And I don't think I can make a determination on that without getting into it a little bit more and hearing -- and so it sounds like that's a procedure we have to start -- we have to contemplate here. So how do you want to proceed, I guess, Mr. Phillips, in terms of -- because I don't think I can, you know, reacting to what I'm seeing here, just say that there's not a prima facie need for at least inquiring about whether there is classified information that's implicated here. And I'll confess I've not personally had a CIPA case before, on the bench or as an AUSA. So what -- or do you -- do you need time to consult with the national security folks to sort of propose a procedure or schedule, both in terms of, you know, what personnel would have to get cleared, including, you know,

Mr. Gillen and Mr. Lake and my staff. I think CIPA doesn't

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require me to, but if I have to, that's fine, too. I guess
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    those would be the questions, who needs to be cleared.
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   believe, if I'm not mistaken, we have a facility, I know we've
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    all about procedurally and scheduling-wise what we do from
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             MR. PHILLIPS: Well, Your Honor, I confess, this is
   my first CIPA case as well. So I'm going to rely on advice
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    from people who are experts. And we've started the process of
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    reaching out to those folks in Washington and trying to get
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    them involved and trying to get some guidance from them. We
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    don't have that yet, but we're in the process of trying to
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   make that happen as soon as possible.
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    just say -- I mean, you can give me an estimate now, but
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    obviously if you need to change it, that's fine. How long do
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    you think you'll need to submit a plan, a scheduling order
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   plan, I guess, proposed procedures?
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             MR. PHILLIPS: I think 30 days, Your Honor.
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             THE COURT: Okay. All right. So that's fine.
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    30 days or earlier, if you can do it, and if for whatever
    reason you need an extension, you can apply for that, too, but
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   need to be taken and what the procedures will be for dealing
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    discovery/admissibility determinations and --
             MR. GILLEN: Well, Your Honor, if I'm reading this
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    correctly, it's my understanding that, as I said from the case
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    a minute ago, once the government requests a hearing, then the
    Court will be required to make a determination about whether
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    the information the defendant says he intends to rely on is
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    relevant.
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             THE COURT: Right, right.
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             MR. GILLEN: And so at that point, I would think, the
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    Court would decide either this is not relevant, that's the end
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    of it, or I'm going to allow you to proceed and request
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    discovery from these, you know, various government entities.
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             THE COURT: Well, I guess that's --
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             MR. GILLEN: So I don't know how we can do that.
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             THE COURT: That would be helpful to lay out in your
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    30-day submission, in other words, you know, a brief, if you
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    will, on the application of statute and the determinations
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    that I'll have to make and/or Judge Totenberg will have to
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             MR. GILLEN: Does the Court still want the defendant
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    to file a motion to compel or something along that line that
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identifies with more particularity the kind of information that he's seeking and why he's seeking it so that we can respond to that? Or is that all to just come out at the hearing? Because if it is, it's going to be hard for us to be prepared to respond to that at the hearing if we're not hearing about it prior to that. THE COURT: Yeah, I mean, my opinion is I think we need to get a little bit more concreteness in terms of the specific information, which may require you getting cleared first, because, you know, there could be details that you don't have access to yet. MR. PHILLIPS: Mr. McClain was already cleared and my request for clearance was sent up today. MR. GILLEN: Well, Your Honor, this is what I would suggest. We need to follow this procedure. And the act has -- and there are regs that deal with this process, they follow right after the act. And so let them get their -- the direction, it doesn't make sense for us to file a motion to compel before we get into -- under the umbrella of CIPA. Once we get under the umbrella of CIPA, they're cleared, we're cleared, then we can, one, obtain information that we can then give in more detail to the Court and also to say we think that the government has A, B, C and D and it should provide it.

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    of CIPA, then we're going to be better served by saying with
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    some sort of specificity, okay, we're all under the umbrella,
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    we -- we think --
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             THE COURT: Right.
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             MR. GILLEN: -- is the defense and what we think you
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   have that you haven't given us that you should. That's the
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             THE COURT: And I agree with that. I think -- I
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    think while Mr. Phillips, I interpreted, is saying is for them
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    to start getting into it and responding in substance and
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    to put to you, to file something more specific, but not yet,
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THE COURT: -- what it is you're looking for, and then I can, you know, if necessary, look at it. They can respond, we can get into detail for -- but it may -- I'm anticipating, it sounds like, possibly, requiring you to get cleared first. Because, I don't know, there may be information that your client has that I'm interpreting from what you said before that the basis for you in filing the notice came from the discovery that perhaps your client has more information that he'd be able to share with you that says, well, the mini micro pinhole video camera was necessary because of this, that he can't yet share with you because you're not cleared. So that's the sort of thing that I think we need to do first. But once we have all of that happening, including any clearances that are necessary, I think the first step in teeing up this dispute of relevancy and discoverability would be to get from you all a more particularized, I guess, perfected motion, whether it's a motion to compel or solved in some other way, but that's what I'm thinking. MR. GILLEN: Well, there are two phases to what I see in the CIPA, what Dr. Maloney may say himself that he knows himself, and that's Phase I. Phase II is what the United States government has that it knows and that it may have in terms of documentation or testimony that would support Dr. Maloney's position, which we believe is contrary to what

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    to respond, if we -- if we choose to respond to their proposed
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   procedure. And then once that's done, then we would be off
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    and running hopefully.
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             THE COURT: Okay. And that's fine. So let's do
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    that. So then 30 days from today, and I'll just give a
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    specific date, just for clarity, that's easy, October 14th,
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    which may be appropriate here.
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             UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can I wear a costume and hand
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    deliver my response, Your Honor?
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             THE COURT: You may. You may.
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             UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you, Your Honor.
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             THE COURT: And let me go ahead and schedule another
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    conference for to us discuss where we go. How about -- how
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    about Friday the 4th of November? Does that work?
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going to respond once you see it, maybe reach out and let us know. Maybe we can move that up, even if it's just by phone. We just don't want to still have to wait three weeks if there's not actually a dispute, for example, about the procedures. But we'll also make clear that this is not, I guess, a motion specifically, but I am continuing the pretrial conference to that date, and in doing so, finding that the interest of justice in making sure that we balance the -because there's a prima facie applicability of potential classified information, the ends of justice in making sure that we are in compliance with the Classified Information Procedures Act and in balancing the national security interest of the United States, but also against the defendant's rights to a fair trial, to make sure that that balance is handled in the correct way under the statute. So the need to do that is what's justifying or requiring this continuance and that obviously outweighs the defendant's rights otherwise to a speedy trial as well as the public's. So time, if it weren't already tolled by virtue of everything else that's been filed here, we'll make sure is tolled from now through November 4th and likely later, but we will handle that in a separate order at that point. All right. I'll still hold on to this. And let me know if you just email Ms. Graves and CC the defense whether there's anything in here that requires sealing from the

1 government's position or not. It sounds like not and that's 2 fine. But just let us know. 3 All right. So we have a few other motions. 4 the -- we've got the bill of particulars motion. I think I'll 5 just ask for a response on that unless there's anything that 6 you want to comment on, Mr. Phillips? And in the response, it 7 would be helpful if -- you know, there may be things in here 8 that you don't have a problem with, such as identifying known 9 co-conspirators. 10 MR. PHILLIPS: Well, Your Honor, the indictment 11 doesn't allege that there are any unknown co-conspirators, it 12 identifies the co-conspirators by name. 13 THE COURT: Okay. And maybe that's all he's looking 14 for is a confirmation that there's no one else, but it sounds 15 like you just made that confirmation. And I don't know, maybe 16 there are other things in here that you would see clear to 17 clarifying or not, but it would be helpful if you could 18 provide a response. So why don't we use the same 30-day mark, 19 since we're going to have some delays here anyway, and that's 20 easier for all of our calendar purposes to not have multiple 21 days. 22 The motion for access to witnesses, you know, I have 23 to say I was a little -- you know, without an allegation that 24 the government is causing or is in any way responsible for

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             MR. GILLEN: That would be fine as well. All I care
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    is Patrick McKenna.
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             MR. PHILLIPS: Your Honor, there is no such
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    restriction that I'm aware of. And Georgia Tech's counsel has
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          It's totally up to you. And they all acknowledged
that they understood that. So we think it would be
inappropriate for the Court to order the government to get
Georgia Tech's general counsel involved and then have them
reach out to witnesses on behalf of the defendant. We don't
think that's appropriate. We've done nothing to restrict
their right to talk to the witnesses. We've paved the way for
them. And I do that as a matter of course in every interview
that I participate in, in every case I've ever had, we want to
make it clear that the government isn't trying to prevent them
from talking to defense counsel.
         THE COURT: And of course they're not alleging
otherwise. I think that's been clear.
        MR. GILLEN: That's right.
         THE COURT: And I do appreciate that.
         MR. PHILLIPS: In addition, Your Honor, as
Mr. McClain just pointed out to me, there's been no authority
provided that Georgia Tech couldn't tell its employees not to
speak to the defendant's attorneys, if they chose to do that.
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    information that they have. No witness has told us in any
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    been able to conduct so far into that, I don't -- I don't
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know, I haven't had a chance, and this is one thing I need to do is look through the cases. Obviously, I've just received these motions as well. But I thought it was -- I thought, according to the defense, in that case they did order an index of documents, not under Rule 16, but under concepts of due process and fairness, given the complexity and the voluminous of the production in that case. MR. PHILLIPS: That's a different issue, though, than requiring the government to identify the documents that it intends to rely on at trial. As part of our normal practice, and we've tried cases against Mr. Gillen and Mr. Lake, Mr. McClain and I have, we've had no problems working with them. And our standard practice is to agree to exchange document lists and exhibit lists and witness lists with the defense. And we try to work with them and we try to give them as much information as we can. We're not playing hide the ball with them. We're going to be very cooperative in working with them as long as there's a two-way street, and we will continue to do that. THE COURT: Why don't you give me a response on this that if you want me to consider some of the things you just said, offer some of the things you're preparing to give so I have some concrete understanding of what it is you have given or would be prepared to give or are willing to offer in order

to assist their analysis of the discovery. And that may help

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me here a little bit as well. But obviously, the assurance, don't worry, we'll work it out, just like I need some more concreteness from them on what they need, I'll need some more concreteness from you as to what you are giving them in addition to just the mounds of CDs or whatever it is. Just to clarify, Your Honor. MR. GILLEN: THE COURT: Um-hmm. MR. GILLEN: This motion, which I call the Poindexter motion, because it emanated from the Poindexter Constitution in Washington where just a sea of documents were produced. And it's like that's really not Rule 16 at all if you can't -you know, going through all these documents. We're not asking to freeze the government at, you know, gee, you gave us this, if this motion were to be granted and pursuant to that you gave us this binder and now you want to add another thing, that's not what we -- what we are trying to do. This has to do with good faith, identification of case-in-chief documents to whittle through all of the thousands upon thousands upon thousands of invoices and documents that I have personally reviewed in this case. Now, recently, I know it's not -- this office is not the Department of Justice antitrust division, but in two pending cases, one before this Court, the Department of Justice in Washington has been more than willing to kind of

work with the basic concept of putting together documents and

packets for its prosecution, but with the understanding that no one's -- you know, that I'm not saying that we could, and 2 3 I'm certainly saying we would not rush in and say well, we 4 didn't get this in binder so and so on such and such a date. 5 That's not what we're after. When -- and I -- and I look 6 forward to seeing what the government wants to discuss in 7 terms of documents. 8 What happens in these cases, particularly now in the 9 electronic age, is the United States attorney's office is very 10 well prepared, as always, and now they are prepared also with 11 very computer-savvy support staff that does a great job of 12 putting their documents up on the screen and then blowing this 13 up and then having all of that. So without our knowing what 14 is going to be used --15 THE COURT: You're pretty good at that, too, though. MR. GILLEN: No, I'm not, frankly. Mr. Lake is a 16 17 little better than I am, absolutely, you know, I -- in the 18 dinosaur era, if they found my bones, they would put me back 19 in the backroom. Anyway, so it's easier for us because 20 they're going to go forward and that way for cross-examination 21 purpose, the efficiency of the running of the trial, judicial 22 economy, it makes sense to do this. We're not trying to 23 freeze them. That's all. And if we can -- that's something that's really 24 25 important to us, it's important in this case, really important

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to those antitrust cases because of the -- there's even more documents in those cases than there are in this case. And so we spend most of -- or I spend most of my time just basically reviewing things on my computer in my office, that's my practice of having to do that. That's fine. That's the life that we have chosen, profession we've chosen to live. But I would like to have -- this one really is very important conceptually to get this thing on track for the defense. MR. PHILLIPS: Your Honor, may I respond briefly? THE COURT: You may, although I'm not sure you guys are necessarily disagreeing too much right now with each I mean, I think you're saying look, we don't think under Rule 16 we're required to do this, but yet our procedures are in cases with lots of discovery and evidence that we work with them and give them more guidance. And he's saying I've got this antitrust they gave us, we need more information, and I'm trying hold them to it. This really strikes me as something that maybe if you spend 30 days sort of articulating to me what you're able to offer them or what you have offered them and maybe talk with each other a little bit more about how you're going to -- how you're going to provide things voluntarily, let's say, maybe it might narrow a little bit of what the request ultimately

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             MR. GILLEN:
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    faith in these two gentlemen that they will act in good faith.
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             THE COURT: Okay.
             MR. GILLEN: And so if they say in good faith we gave
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   production so that we can try to get as well organized for our
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             THE COURT: Okay.
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             THE COURT: You can respond.
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witnesses who are involved in this case and the documents than anybody. He can easily go through all of 302s and say this witness, that witness, and this other witness all have to do with the P-Card. Here's a group of witnesses that have to do with the consulting for the Spectra project. He knows that better than anybody. He knows those people on a first-name basis. And so the defendant doesn't need us to point them in the right direction. Their client is capable of doing that better than anybody. THE COURT: All right. Well, let me -- let me -- let me get a response from you on that, and then I'll have that teed up. Let's see. It looks like the only thing left is the motion to -- for leave to file additional motions, which I will grant, based on it sounds like the hiccups which are not -- which are, you know, expected in the ordinary course sort of technical problems and accessing and getting discovery, so it's not -- not at fault by any means and you're not alleging it, but it's just in any complex case with electronic discovery, there may be hiccups, and that's fine. So let me use the same 30-day marker. Obviously, at any point, you can file a motion for leave to file additional motions if you run out of time if there's a showing that could be made why you couldn't have made the motion before, but -but let me give you for now the same 30-day marker that I'm

giving the government for responses. And if at that point you

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             MR. GILLEN: Thank you, Your Honor.
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             THE COURT: All right. Any experts that the
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    government anticipates using?
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             MR. PHILLIPS: No, Your Honor.
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    but if you anticipate anything, it would help us to discuss
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             MR. PHILLIPS: We don't.
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             THE COURT: All right. Anything else for purposes of
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    today? Obviously, this won't be the last time we speak.
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             MR. PHILLIPS: No, Your Honor.
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             THE COURT: Okay. All right. Very good, well, we'll
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   be in adjournment and we will talk to you again on November
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    the 4th if not before. In the meantime have a happy Columbus
    Day, and Halloween, and debate watching or whatever, and -- or
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    went very badly but that's all I have.
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             MR. GILLEN: Thank you, Judge.
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             THE COURT: All right. We'll be in recess.
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